

# **8U MACHINE PITCH DIVISION**

THE FOLLOWING RULES SHALL BE IN PLAY FOR THE SEASON.

- 1. NO BALLS or STRIKES WILL BE CALLED. The coach is responsible for getting each player to hit the ball (all outs will be made on the field.) Each player will be given up to 6 pitches per at bat, and then the tee will be used to hit.
- 2. WALKS are not allowed either.
- 3. When a player is out at a base, she will leave the playing field.
- 4. WHEN 3 OUTS OCCUR, continue batting the line up. When everyone has completed their at-bat, then CHANGE SIDES. If 3 outs do not occur, once a team has gone through their complete batting order, teams will switch.
- 5. Only ONE BASE ON EVERY HIT. With the below exception.
- 6. Balls that pass the cones on a fly will be counted as a home run and the bases will be cleared.
- 7. Balls that pass the cones on the ground will allow the runner to advance to second base (ground-rule double.)
- 8. The goal is to have "regular" games, BUT NO SCORE WILL BE KEPT.
- 9. At least 6 players need to be on the field at any given time, but no more than 9 (NO CATCHER WILL BE ON THE FIELD) The catching position will be taken by a coach or volunteer parent.

#### PARENTS:

- 1. Please remember, do not yell directions/corrections to the players, especially your own daughter. The coaches will do this. When the girls, make mistakes, either SHE will already know it or the coach will quietly "coach" her when she returns to the dug out. This is important!
- 2. Parents are not allowed in the dug out area during the game, in the dug out, or on the field, with the exception of delivering a water bottle or similar supplies. General conversations are not allowed during the game. Coaching or giving suggestions ARE NOT ALLOWED.

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## FIELD SPORTS HOTLINE: 480-350-5293

In the event of inclement weather, please check the Field Sports Hotline number. We update the recorded message starting at 3:00p and then in 30 minutes increment when harsh weather is approaching. Make sure all your parents have this number. **Always assume we are playing**. Weather in the desert is fickle. It can be storming in South Tempe and be clear as a bell in North Tempe. It is NOT unusual to cancel the 6:00p game but PLAY the 7:30pm game. We will make every effort to reach you via your emergency contact number either from my office or my cell phone. Please make sure you give us a number in which you can be contacted in an emergency, or at the last possible moment in case of a game cancellation.

### **SCHEDULE:**

First 4 meets will be practices; Games will begin on the 5<sup>th</sup> meet.

Coaches request that all players arrive at the field 10-15 minutes before game time to ensure the whole team is ready to play.

ALL GAMES AND PRACTICES WILL BE HELD AT KAWINIS PARK ALL WEDNESDAY MEETINGS ARE FROM 6P-7:30P

ALL SATURDAY MEETINGS ARE FROM 8A-9:30A

\*\*SCHEDULED TIMES AND LOCATIONS ARE ALWAYS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\*

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SHARED GOALS
SHARED DESTINY